



MESSAGE NOTES

THE LOOP

HALFTIME SPEECH: EPHESIANS 1–3 OVERVIEW

Nov 16, 2014 • Pastor Gregg Matte • Ephesians 1–3

Influential City:

- Temple of Diana (Romans)/Artemis (Greeks) — one of 7 Wonders of the World
- Bank of Asia
- 250–300,000 people
- Contrary culture and idol worship
- Paul plants a church there — letter written 10 years later
- Ephesians 1–3: Riches; Ephesians 4–6: Responsibilities

Rich in _____, to spend my _____.

► Rich _____, in Him, or Christ used 27 times in Ephesians.

Ephesians 1:1–3, 13

- Our spiritual position _____ than our earthly position.

► Riches of _____.

Ephesians 2:3–6

- But _____!

► Spend our lives on _____ and _____.

- The _____ component to our faith that is stronger than the _____ component.

Ephesians 3:1, 13; 3:16–17; 3:20–21

A READING OF PAUL'S LETTER TO THE EPHESIANS

A recording project to assist you in memorizing Ephesians

Online: Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Ephesians

Podcast: Search Houston's First Baptist Church on iTunes

CD: Available in CornerBooks (\$3 each)

WEEK AT A GLANCE

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Volunteer for details about the following opportunities and nearly 100 other ways you can serve His Kingdom.

GREETERS

Welcome Team

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BREW CREW

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GIVING — WEEK ENDING NOV 9, 2014

MISSION 1:8 Weekly Giving	\$519,908
MISSION 1:8 Weekly Goal	\$609,890
MISSION 1:8 Over/(Under) for November	(\$17,124)
Other Designated Giving	\$158,167
MISSION 1:8 YTD	\$63,428,749
(Giving to MISSION 1:8 is from Mar 2013–Feb 2015)	

DECISIONS NOV 9, 2014

Baptized

Grayson Buehler
Carter Crawford
Emma Read

Anberlin Ross
Rebekah Werninger

For Baptism

Allan Lim
Bridget Matranga

From Other Fellowships

Will Clay
Paul Dawson
Beth Denison
Mark Denison
Elaine Friedberg

Margaret Isabel
Viny Pilegge
Carly Ross
Daniel Stringer
Tara Stringer

Statement

Mercedes Pilegge
Shannon Wihlborg

ATTENDANCE NOV 9, 2014

Life Bible Study (all campuses)	4,918
Mission Bible Study	148
Total Bible Study	5,066
MidLink (The Loop)	1,828

BIRTHS

- Lee & Amy (staff) Pardue in the birth of their son, Blaise Christian Pardue.
- Chris & Ashley Otuonye in the birth of their son, Lucas Francis Otuonye. Sibling: Caitlin Otuonye.
- Mark & Dean-na Warner in the birth of their daughter, Kayley Nell Warner.
- Kevin & Jocelyn Taylor in the birth of their daughter, Caroline Michele Taylor. Sibling: Graham Taylor.

SYMPATHIES

- Nick (staff) & Rachel Rosenbaum in the loss of her grandfather.
- Family and friends in the loss of Geneva Bailey.
- Vickie Johnson in the loss of her mother, Jane Clark Lloyd.
Survivors: Jamie, Jennifer, and Carly, grandchildren; Jenna, Johnny, Julia, and Jillian, great grandchildren.

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